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AMOUNT TO BILL A CUSTOMER FOR THE  
USE OF RESOURCES

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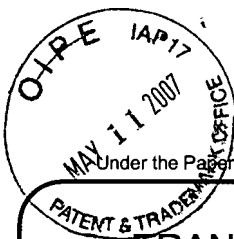
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